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Dear Chairman Genachowski:

It is my understanding that a draft order relating to the proposed merger of Comcast-NBC Universal has been circulated. It would appear that the draft order takes into consideration voluminous filings and comments from both proponents and opponents of the merger. Further, reports indicate that extensive conditions have been attached to any contemplated approval and that the applicants have agreed to abide by those requirements.

I believe that the FCC has had a sufficient amount of time to make its final decision. All information necessary to make the proper analysis appears to have been submitted and any concerns that members of the Commission have raised have been addressed by the aforementioned conditions. While not privy to the applicants' business arrangements to facilitate the merger, I must assume that an unreasonable delay in securing a ruling from the FCC introduces such uncertainty as to impact the viability of existing agreements among the parties and other stakeholders.

The duty of any governmental regulatory agency is to act thoroughly, fairly and expeditiously. At this point, further delaying a vote on the merger does not work to benefit anybody. I appreciate the FCC's diligence and dedication but ask that you now move forward in rendering your decision.

Sincerely.

Member of Congress



FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION WASHINGTON

March 17, 2011

The Honorable Charles A. Gonzalez U.S. House of Representatives 1436 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Gonzalez:

Thank you for your letter regarding the Commission's review of the proposed joint venture between Comcast Corporation and the General Electric Company subsidiary, NBC Universal, Inc. After a thorough, fair and timely review of the extensive record in the proceeding, the Commission adopted a *Memorandum Opinion and Order* on January 18, 2011, approving the transaction with merger-specific conditions. I am pleased to say that we completed our review expeditiously, particularly given the size and complexity of the transaction. The result was a transaction that the Commission found to be in the public interest.

I appreciate your interest in this important matter. I am enclosing a copy of the Commission's release summarizing the Commission's action. Commission staff will be happy to work with your office if you have any additional questions. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I may be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Julius Genachowski

Enclosure